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Amendment to the Claims

1. (currently amended) A method for requesting approval for accessing a
5 resource in a system of resources, comprising the steps of:
performing an approval process, comprising the steps of:
creating a resource profile including at least one resource, wherein said
at least one resource has an owner;
a manager creating a job profile including at least one object
10 construction, said object construction representing a job function or functions;
said manager negotiating with said resource owner for to grant
approval for access rights and privileges by said job profile to said at least one
resource;
responsive to said resource owner granting said approval, assigning
15 said approved job profile to said resource profile such that any user at any later point
in time assigned to said approved job profile by said manager automatically gains
approval and access to said at least one resource included in said resource profile,
thereby ending said approval process;
assigning at least one user to said approved job profile;
20 performing an a separate access implementation process comprising the step
of:
said any user at said any later point in time accessing said resource
without needing to go through said approval process;
~~assigning at least one user to said approved job profile.~~
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2. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said requesting step
automatically originates from said assigning step.
3. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said resource profile includes at
30 least one computing device.
4. (original) The method of Claim 3, wherein said resource profile includes at
least one software module.
5. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said job profile includes at least
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6. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said job profile includes at least one role.
7. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said job profile includes at least one project.
8. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said job profile includes at least one workgroup.
9. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said job profile includes at least one responsibility.
10. (currently amended) A method for authorizing and providing a user access to a resource in a system, comprising the steps of:
- a manager only once assigning a job profile to a resource profile, said resource profile including a resource having an owner, said resource profile has been previously approved for access by said job profile in an approval process comprising as a result of a negotiation between said manager and said resource owner; and
- whenever desired and at any later point in time, said manager assigning a user to said assigned and approved job profile;[[.]]
- ~~such that said user automatically gains~~ gaining approval for and access to said resource included in said resource profile without needing to go through said approval process.
11. (canceled)
12. (previously presented) The method of Claim 10, further including granting an account to said user for accessing said approved resource.
13. (previously presented) The method of Claim 12, wherein said account is automatically provided following said assigning said user to said approved job profile.
14. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said resource profile includes at least one computing device.

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15. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said resource profile includes at least one application software.
- 5 16. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said job profile includes at least one job.
17. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said job profile includes at least one role.
- 10 18. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said job profile includes at least one project.
19. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein said job profile includes at least one workgroup.
- 15 20. (currently amended) A method of approving access to a resource profile in a system, comprising the steps of:
a resource owner of a resource of a resource profile negotiating with a manager of a job profile for said job profile to obtain rights and privileges to access
20 said resource profile;[[;]] and
said resource owner deciding ~~at one point in time~~ to grant access rights and privileges approval to said job profile;[[;]]
wherein said decision includes that once approval is granted, ~~future user accesses~~ access to said resource profile by members of said approved job profile at
25 a later point in time is implemented without ~~do not~~ requiring performing again said step of negotiating to obtain access rights and privileges to said resource profile.
21. (original) The method of Claim 20, wherein said deciding step includes restricting said resource profile to be accessed by a certain job profile.
- 30 22. (currently amended) A system for accessing computing resources, comprising:
at least one user terminal;
at least one database including at least one application software;
at least one computing device;
35 means for creating a resource profile including said at least one database and said at least one application software, wherein said resource profile has at least one owner;

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means for creating a job profile managed by a manager and related to at least one user;

means for assigning said resource profile to said job profile;

5 means for said manager ~~at one point in time~~ requesting of said at least one resource owner access rights and privileges to said resource profile by said job profile;

10 means for said at least one resource owner negotiating with said manager based on said manager's request to approve only once for said job profile to have access rights and privileges to said resource profile, thereby resulting in an approved job profile; and

at a later point in time, means for assigning a user any member at any later point in time assigned to said approved job profile; and

15 means for said user automatically gaining access to at least one resource included in said resource profile without needing to go through said approval process.

23. (original) The computer system of Claim 22, further implemented on a network environment.

20 24. (original) The computer system of Claim 23, wherein said network environment further comprising Internet.

25 25. (previously amended) The method of Claim 22, wherein at least one of said resource profile, said computing device, and said software module is owned by various resource owners.

26. (currently amended) A method for building a resource profile, comprising the steps of:

30 determining whether a plurality of resources may be grouped together in a resource profile, wherein said resource profile has a resource owner; and

grouping said plurality of resources in said resource profile if such grouping is allowed[.];

35 ~~such that if said resource owner once granting approval for resource profile access rights and privileges is granted once to a job profile managed by a manager as a result of a negotiation between said resource owner and said manager[.]; and~~

at a later point in time any future accesses by any a member of said approved job profile of said resource profile accessing said resource without needing to go through obtain approval do not need to obtain said approval.

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27. (original) The method of claim 26, wherein said determining step further includes checking against an exclusion rule.
- 5 28. (previously presented) The method of claim 27, further including:
indicating that said resource profile may not be built if said grouping is not allowed under said exclusion rule.
- 10 29. (currently amended) A method for assigning a job profile to a resource profile, comprising the steps of:
determining whether a job profile may be assigned to a resource profile based on performing an approval process comprising the step of one time assigning said job profile to said resource profile if such assignment is requested by a manager of said job profile and allowed by a resource owner of said resource profile as a result
15 of a negotiation between said manager and said resource owner, such that at a later point in time and during an separate access process, a user is assigned to said approved job profile by said manager and gains automatic approval for accessing access to said resource profile without needing to go through said approval process.
- 20 30. (previously amended) The method of Claim 29, wherein said determining step further includes checking against an exclusion rule.
31. (previously amended) The method of Claim 30, further including:
indicating that said job profile may not be assigned to said resource profile if
25 said assignment is not allowed under said exclusion rule.
32. (currently amended) A computer readable medium embodying a method for requesting approval for accessing a resource in a system of resources, said method comprising the steps of:
30 performing an approval process, comprising the steps of:
creating a resource profile including at least one resource, wherein said at least one resource has an owner;
a manager creating a job profile including at least one object
construction, said object construction representing a job function or functions;
35 said manager negotiating with said resource owner for to grant
approval for access rights and privileges by said job profile to said at least one resource;

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- responsive to said resource owner granting said approval, assigning said approved job profile to said resource profile such that any user at any later point in time assigned to said approved job profile by said manager automatically gains approval and access to said at least one resource included in said resource profile,
- 5 thereby ending said approval process;
assigning at least one user to said approved job profile;
performing an a separate access implementation process comprising the step of:
- 10 said any user at said any later point in time accessing said resource without needing to go through said approval process.
assigning at least one user to said approved job profile.